IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:) Examiner: HAYES, Robert Clinton
Kevin BAKER, et al.) Art Unit: 1649
Application Serial No. 10/015,499) Confirmation No: 6886
Filed: December 11, 2001) Attorney's Docket No. GNE-2830-P1C42
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ON APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES REQUEST TO WITHDRAW APPEAL BY APPELLANTS

Commissioner for Patents - MAIL STOP APPEAL BRIEF - PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

On March 10, 2008, the Examiner made a final rejection to pending Claims 28-35, and 38-40. A Notice of Appeal was filed on August 8, 2008 and Appellants' Appeal Brief was filed December 5, 2008.

Appellants hereby request that the appeal be withdrawn, and that the above-identified application be expressly withdrawn as of the filing date of this paper.

I am the attorney or agent of record.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: March 10, 2009

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